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DRAFT DECISION

Future of the United Nations Development Programme: Initiatives for change

The Executive Board

1. Notes the progress that has been made following its decision 94/14;

2. Welcomes the process of consultation mentioned by the Administrator in his statement on 13 June 1995 in view of further clarifying and refining the role of the United Nations Development Programme in the light of the Initiatives for change, and requests the Administrator to report to the Executive Board;

3. Urges the United Nations Development Programme through the Initiatives for change process, in the framework of the goals and focuses approved by the Board in decision 94/14 and given poverty elimination as the overriding priority in the programmes of UNDP, to concentrate on areas where it has demonstrable comparative advantage, in particular capacity-building;

4. Welcomes the elaboration of a strategic plan as a means of enhancing the management of the United Nations Development Programme and making operational the Initiatives for change and looks forward to presentation to the Executive Board at its first meeting in 1996, in preparation for final decision at the annual meeting in 1996, of a further elaborated concise version including, inter alia, the following elements:

(a) A concise mission statement drawing together all the essential functions of the United Nations Development Programme in the light of the goals and focuses in decision 94/14;

(b) A clear hierarchy of operational objectives designed to translate the mission of the United Nations Development Programme into action;

(c) A comprehensive action plan, incorporating time-bound indicators of achievement and a system for reporting progress regularly to the Executive Board.

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